



Government Railways.

COWAN CREEK SCENERY and FISHING TRIP. CONVENIENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR FISHING and PLEASURE PARTIES.

THIRD DAY, 2nd DECEMBER. Trains leave Sydney at 9 a.m., and Milson's Point at 5.30 a.m.

On arrival at Hawkesbury the a.s. General Gordon will take his party for a trip of five hours on the river, and into the fishing grounds at Cowan Creek during a portion of the time.

Train reaches Sydney at 5 p.m. PLEASURE PARTIES. (including dinner trip.)

FIRST-CLASS, £6; SECOND-CLASS, £6.

SPECIAL EXCURSION TRIPS TO THE HAWKES- BURY RIVER

in connection with the steamer GENERAL GORDON.

CHRISTMAS DAY, Friday, 25th: BOXING DAY, Saturday, 26th; and SUNDAY, 27th December.

THE CROWN HOTEL, Milson's Point, 9.30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY, Friday, 25th December—Sydney at 9.30 a.m., and Milson's Point at 9.35 a.m.

DOXING DAY, Saturday, 26th December—Sydney at 9.30 a.m. and 9.45 a.m.; Milson's Point at 9.30 a.m.

SUNDAY, 27th December—Sydney at 9.30 a.m.

MOOREFIELD RACE &amp; WEEDENFIELD, 2nd DECEMBER, 1896.

SPECIAL TRAINS for First and Second Class Passengers leave Sydney for Kogarah at 1.30 p.m.; and for Wollongong at 2.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m.; and for Milson's Point at 4.30 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

RETURN FAIRS—First-class, £1; Second-class, 5s.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, 1896-7.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued from all stations to all stations except for distance 15 miles and under between the Sydney and Newcastle Suburban stations, by all trains, CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th December, and SATURDAY, 27th January, 1897. Return fares (including dinner trip) From Sydney and suburban stations—First-class, £6; second-class, 5s.

THROUGH CHURCH EXCURSION TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED.

MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, BRIGHTON, HULL, AND BRIMBANK.

GREAT EXCURSION TICKETS—In addition to the Great Excursion Tickets already issued on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, similar tickets at 20 milles first class return (minimum 5s), and 10 milles second class return (minimum 5s), will be issued by Sydney and Suburban stations only to stations outside the suburban area as follows:

SOUTH COAST LINE.

THURSDAY, 26th December—5.30 a.m. for Kiama, 5.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. for Nowra.

FRIDAY, 27th December—7.30 a.m. for Nowra.

SATURDAY, 28th December—1.30 p.m. for Wollongong and stations beyond, 7.30 a.m. for Wollongong, and 1.30 p.m. for Kiama.

SUNDAY, 29th December—5.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. for Nowra.

FRIDAY, 1st January—7.30 a.m. for Nowra.

SOUTHERN LINE.

THURSDAY, 26th December—5.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m., and 5.30 p.m. for Mount Victoria; and 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. for Goulburn.

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FRIDAY, 1st January—7.30 a.m. for Nowra.

NORTHERN LINE.

THURSDAY, 26th December—5.30 a.m. for Maitland, 6.30 a.m. for Newcastle, and 11.30 a.m. for West Maitland; and 1.30 p.m. for Newcastle, 6.30 a.m. for West Maitland, and 1.30 p.m. for Newcastle.

FRIDAY, 27th December, and 1st January—5.30 a.m. for Newcastle, 6.30 a.m. for West Maitland, and 1.30 p.m. for Newcastle.

SATURDAY, 28th December—5.30 a.m. for Newcastle, and 1.30 p.m. for Newcastle.

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FRIDAY, 1st January—5.30 a.m. for Newcastle, 6.30 a.m. for Newcastle, and 1.30 p.m. for Newcastle.

SPECIAL CHEAP TICKETS will also be issued to Sydney and stations outside the suburban area by the trains as under:

SOUTH COAST LINE.

FRIDAY, 27th December—5.30 a.m. from Nowra.

SATURDAY, 28th December—5.30 a.m. from Nowra.

FRIDAY, 1st January—5.30 a.m. from Nowra.

SOUTHERN LINE.

THURSDAY, 26th December—5.30 a.m. from Goulburn.

FRIDAY, 27th December—5.30 a.m. from Goulburn.

SATURDAY, 28th December—5.30 a.m. from Goulburn.

FRIDAY, 1st January—5.30 a.m. from Goulburn.

WESTERN LINE.

THURSDAY, 26th December—5.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m., and 5.30 p.m. for Mount Victoria; and 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. for Goulburn.

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FRIDAY, 1st January—5.30 a.m. for Newcastle.

SPECIAL CHEAP TICKETS will be issued to Sydney and stations on the Midland line only, 11.30 a.m. from Orange.

FRIDAY, 28th, and THURSDAY, 29th December—5.30 a.m. from Orange.

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## LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—Tuesday, December 22. In *Jury Court*.—Before Mr. Justice OWEN and a panel of three.

THE MUNICIPALITY, LTD., v. MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY (PART HEARD).

Mr. C. G. Hetherington, Q.C., Mr. G. B. Headlam, Mr. J. G. D. Thompson, and Mr. G. W. Edwards, appeared for the plaintiff company, and the Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Ward, Q.C.), Mr. Edmunds, and Mr. Levenson, appeared for the defendants.

The Municipal Council, Limited, was the defendant municipality. This was an action brought by the Municipal Trading Company, Limited, administrator of the estate of John Harris, for damages done to land at the corner of Miller Hill and Bank Streets, Ultimo, in consequence of the removal of a large quantity of soil, stone, and rubble on the land. They also charged the defendants with having damaged the land.

In question, was the amount of stone and soil as well as not only to block the access to the land, but to considerably decrease the value of the land. The damages claimed were £1,000.

The Municipal Council paid £10 into court as a general damage, and also pleaded not guilty.

The plaintiff's counsel having concluded his address, the jury, at 3.30 p.m., returned with a verdict for the defendants in all counts.

(See *Advertiser*.—*Before the Jury Court*.)

EX PARTES CHARGEABLE WESTBROOK.

Mr. G. B. Headlam, Q.C., and G. R. Barber, appeared for Charles Westbrook, and moved for a rule nisi for a writ of prohibition to restrain the plaintiff from instituting an action against him.

John D. Bremner from further proceeding in regard to a writ obtained against Westbrook on the 18th instant. It appears that the plaintiff, Mr. Westbrook, was under the terms of his bond with him, held in the saddle paddock at Bank-street, between the 1st and 15th November, meeting him at the time of his arrival.

The rule was granted and made returnable next Term.

VERDICT AND ANOTHER, v. CURRY.

Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Messrs. White and Wetherell, appeared for the plaintiffs, and applied for a writ nisi to restrain the Plaintiff from applying for a writ of habeas corpus against the defendant, and for an injunction to restrain him from instituting a suit for a new trial and disallowing a writ of habeas corpus upon which the writ was granted by the Court of Common Pleas.

John D. Bremner, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared to oppose the motion. The application was, however, granted.

(See *Advertiser*.—*Before the Crown Court*.)

Mr. Flannery appeared for petitioners, Hon. Mr. Justice Shepherd, and moved for a rule nisi calling on Charles Shepherd to show cause why a writ of habeas corpus should not issue in respect of his estate for non-payment of alimony allowed him by the court for marital separation. An order was also made that the writ should issue, and that he was dealing with certain money now in the hands of the Master in Equity.

The application was granted in each case, and the rule was made returnable in six weeks.

DECISIONS.

The decree in the following cases was made final, and the defendant discontinued.—Esely Elizabeth Jane Holmes v. Edgar Patterson Holmes (with custody of children); Agnes Jamison Holmes v. William Jamison Holmes (with custody of child); Elizabeth Bessie V. John Bessie (with custody of child); Fanny Mary Horner v. Theodore Horner (with custody of child); Agnes Elizabeth Wright v. Edward Wright (with custody of child); Florence Amy Holt v. Francis Holt; and Clark v. George Frederic Clark (with custody of child); Agnes Elizabeth Waltham v. William Thomas Collier (with custody of child); Minnie Amalie Waltham v. John Waltham (with custody of child); Edith Isabel Bond v. Leonard Horner (bond with custody of child); May Taylor v. Walter J. Taylor (with custody of child); and John V. Horne v. Warrant Watt (with custody of child).

Marie Annie Reid v. MacLoughlin; V. Michael Reid v. John MacLoughlin; and John MacLoughlin v. Wright; Frederick James Wright (with custody of child); Florence Amy Holt v. Francis Holt; and Clark v. George Frederic Clark (with custody of child); Agnes Elizabeth Waltham v. William Thomas Collier (with custody of child); and John Waltham v. Marie Amalie Waltham (with custody of child).

RETRIBUTION.

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RETRIBUTION.—*Before the Retribution*.)





